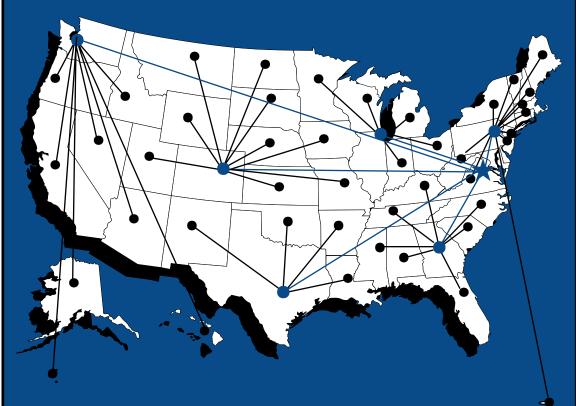
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DIRECTORY PURPOSE

The Purpose of this Directory is to provide a convenient and functional information tool that will facilitate communication between the various elements of EDA's program components. It is meant to serve economic development practitioners, EDA Grantees, associations and others who are seeking information on EDA's economic development activities in all 50 states and territories. The information contained in this publication was obtained through questionnaires and telephone inquiries to the organizations and individuals listed, and is correct as of the publication date of 1 January, 1999. State Government Office information was provided with the assistance of the National Association of State Development Agencies.

This Directory will be updated on a regular basis, therefore, to assist in maintaining current information, users are requested to advise EDA of any changes that should be made to bring the information current. Mail corrections to Planning and Development Division, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Herbert C. Hoover Building, Washington, D.C. 20230. Fax: 202-482-0466, E-Mail: eddirectory@doc.gov.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

The Economic Development Administration is authorized under Public Law #105-393 to generate new jobs, help retain existing jobs, and stimulate industrial and commercial growth in economically distressed areas of the United States. To accomplish its mandate, the agency uses an array of program tools to address the challenges faced by economically distressed communities. EDA assistance is available to rural and urban areas of the nation that are experiencing long-term economic deterioration, high unemployment, low-income levels, or sudden and severe economic distress such as is caused by plant closures, military base closures or natural events such as flooding and hurricane disasters.

EDA's primary focus is the United States, but assistance is also provided, by legislative mandate, to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and Guam. In addition, EDA provides assistance to communities in the U.S. that seek to create export-related opportunities.

In fulfilling its mission, the Economic Development Administration is guided by the basic principle that distressed communities must be enabled to develop and implement their own economic development and revitalization strategies. Based on these locally-and regionally-developed priorities, the agency works in partnership with State and local governments, Economic Development Districts, Universities, Trade Adjustment Assistance Centers, Indian Tribes, and public and private nonprofit organizations. As such, the agency acts as a catalyst to assist distressed communities and areas in achieving their long-term competitive economic potential.

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SECTION ONE

EDA HEADQUARTERS

Section I is devoted to the Economic Development Administration Headquarters in Washington, D.C. All appointed officials, legal and financial counsels, as well as division directors and coordinators of the agency are included in this section in order to provide a reference for the agency's national points of contact. All individuals in this section share the same base address, but they have their own title, room number, phone number, fax number, and E-mail address.